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HOODWINKED.

It was at a country house party. Feeling lazy, I had stopped at home with my hostess while the others had gone out pheasant shooting.

Mrs. Carruthers suddenly looked up from her embroidery and spoke. However, I was not deceived by the apparent unpremeditation of her question, because I had felt for some moments that she was on the point of saying something.

"Phil, what do you think of Clare Delayne?" and she resumed her work in the most unconcerned manner.

I hesitated a moment. Clearly, I must be very careful, for it is at all times a most risky thing to give to one woman your opinion of another. In the majority of cases—mind, I only generalize—if your opinion is enthusiastic you incur the one woman's displeasure; if, on the other hand, your praise is only qualified—well, keep out of the other woman's way. And in the present instance the danger was doubly great. Why had I, who am generally so wary, allowed myself to be left alone with my hostess, the most inveterate matchmaker in the country? I felt that my whole future hung on my reply, and as all this flashed through my mind a mental resolution to this effect, that if Mrs. Carruthers was a matchmaker she had now found her match. So I asked,—

"And who is Clare Delayne?"

"Why, you silly boy, that pretty blonde you took in to dinner last night; you know, she only came yesterday."

"Oh, that one," I said disrespectfully, trying to kill a bluebottle. "I did not catch her name when I was introduced," and I resumed my chase after the bluebottle. There was a pause while I wondered in which direction the next attack would be developed.

"Phil, my question!"

"Which question?"

That bluebottle did fidget me so, and I made a desperate dash at it, cleverly managing at the same time to upset Mrs. Carruthers' work basket. But all attempts to draw a red herring across the path seemed futile.

"Open the window, Phil; that's right, your fly has gone. Now pick up my basket and tell me what you think of Clare Delayne."

I was on all fours salvaging needles and balls of wool.

"I think she"—I suddenly pricked up my ears and listened. "I do believe they are coming back," I cried.

"You think she is—what?"

"I haven't thought anything about her at all. What do you think about her?"

This sudden turning of the tables took Mrs. Carruthers by surprise, and for a moment she was nonplussed. But she quickly recovered herself and deployed on the ground from which I had retreated.

"Well, I was going to tell you when you interrupted me with that absurdly thin that her father is a dear friend of mine, and she will inherit fifteen hundred pounds a year when he dies—"

"Indeed!" I interrupted with interest.

"Of course, it is not much," she went on, encouraged by my look of interest, "but it is a little help, and when combined with the sweetest nature and all the domestic virtues—"

"She is just the girl," I put in eagerly.

"She is, as you say, just the girl to make a man happy."

"But does she want to marry?" I asked, jumping up.

"You silly fellow, what girl doesn't? You have only got to ask them."

"Well, if that is the case—"

"She is also fairly well read, not too well—man does not want that—and she is musical."

"If that is the case, as I was saying before, she is just the girl for Captain Rodgers," I said. "He is—"

Mrs. Carruthers picked up her work and sailed toward the door.

"You are an ass, Phil!" was her parting shot.

"Rodgers is musical," I called out, as the door slammed.

As a matter of fact, I had been particularly entertained by my partner at dinner last night, who had seemed to me what is generally described as "a jolly girl with no nonsense about her." I did not wish to be pestered any more by Mrs. Carruthers, who had evidently come to the conclusion that I was a fool, and so rather than put her on her mettle by offering a show of resistance I thought the best way to secure peace would be to do all that was expected of me, and, like Brer Rabbit, "lay down and say nuffin'" And so what more natural than that I should find myself again taking Miss Delayne in to dinner that evening.

"Do you know, I expected that you would take me to dinner tonight?" she said, as we sat down.

I looked up surprised. There was a world of mischievious meaning in her tone and look and I gasped. Was I to be taken in the flank by another enemy, or was it possible that she, too, understood?"

"Is it 'great expectations?' " I ventured.

She nodded. Still, I was not quite satisfied.

"You surely do not think so badly of me as to believe—" I hesitated.

She burst out laughing.

"There! I have so much faith in you that I will congratulate you on having an income of two thousand pounds a year!"

"Now, really, this is wonderful!" I cried. "And I, too, must congratulate you on being an heiress to the tune of fifteen hundred pounds a year."

"Say, rather, 'condole with,' " she added. "But who told you?"

"A little bird," I answered. "And who told you?"

"Evidently the same little bird."

"A very old bird, if you ask me," I exclaimed, checking myself too late to avoid one of those sudden hushes to which every dinner table is subject. A titter went round the company. Horrors! There was a helping of pheasant before me. I heard Mrs. Carruthers saying sweetly, "I am so sorry, Phil; try another piece." I vainly protested that I had not referred to the fowl, but being greeted with cries of "Name! Name!" The contretemps was very annoying—as I felt that I was now thoroughly in Mrs. Caruthers' bad books, and although she did not know what we had been talking about, still—such is the effect of a guilty conscience—I felt sure she must think that I had referred to her. Miss Delayne also did not seem over pleased at my innocent indiscretion which had directed the company's attention to her, and she occupied herself with Captain Rodgers, who was on her other side. He was an old acquaintance of mine, one of those generous, good-hearted sort of fellows who is always stony broke, and who will always step into the breach to help a friend.

I had often told him that I would one day find him a rich wife, but now that I saw him talking with Miss Delayne I did not feel so particularly keen about my suggestion to Mrs. Carruthers, as it happened to interfere with a brilliant plan which I had just thought of and which would dish Mrs. Carruthers so nicely. I recognized at once that it would be difficult to put the case too bluntly to Miss Delayne, so accordingly, when later in the evening I found myself ensconced with her in the conservatory, I proceeded to let her unfold the plans I had thought out over my cigar. I little thought what would happen in the same conservatory in about three weeks' time.

"Mrs. Carruthers is a most entertaining hostess and an amiable woman," I remarked, by way of preface, "and she has one set sin. But this is the first time she applied her energies in my direction, although she has known me ever since I was so high."

"What are you going to do?" asked Miss Delayne.

"Rather ask, 'What are we going to do?' " I said, not wishing to reply to such a delicate personal question. "It all rests with you," I continued, adding quickly, "whether we are to displease her by avoiding each other or deceive her by pretending to fall in with her views."

Miss Delayne's eyes twinkled.

"Mr. Mellor, you forget that there are other ways. I might, for instance, pretend that I did not want your company, while you could easily satisfy Mrs. Carruthers by your actions that you were doing your best to carry out her schemes."

"Yes," I assented, not at all eagerly.

"Or," she continued, "you could leave suddenly tomorrow on urgent private business."

"Quite so," I faltered.

"But it would be very selfish of me to spoil your holiday here?"

"Not at all," I interrupted.

"And I rather like your second idea. In fact, it would be great fun, I think, to upset Mrs. Carruthers' little plans for once."

"That is just what I thought," I exclaimed.

"We could be a lot in each other's company," she said.

"And especially when Mrs. Carruthers is about," I added.

"I have expectations, and don't want any man to marry me for them."

"And I have money, but if I took a wife she should only take me for my merits."

"That is capital," she said. "Then we are agreed in our views of life. Let us shake hands upon it."

We shook hands.

"We shall have great fun out of it," I said.

"And be the best of friends," she added. "Poor Mrs. Carruthers," she laughed, and then a look of doubt crossed her face. "What shall we say to her if she puts the direct question to either or both of us when we leave?"

"That is very simple," I answered. "We need merely to say 'We found out at the beginning that our views of life were similar, and that it was therefore no use our thinking of marriage,' "

"A neat epigram," she laughed.

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That evening when I said good night to Mrs. Carruthers, she remarked playfully,—

"I am sorry about the old bird, Phil."

"So am I, very sorry," I said, "but old birds cannot help being caught sometimes," and I went to bed feeling that I had scored.

The days passed quickly enough at first, and Miss Delayne and I spent a great deal of time with each other. We sat together at meals, we walked together, we rode together, and we continued to derive great amusement from the covert interest which Mrs. Carruthers appeared to take in the apparent progress of her scheme. I soon found also that we had many other things in common besides our views about marriage, and therefore Miss Delayne's company became in every way a source of more pleasure to me than I had reason to anticipate when we laid our plans.

This possibly created a desire on my part to strictly enforce the terms of our compact, and because Miss Delayne did not always fall in with my ideas as to how much we should be together, I attributed this rather to a falling off of enthusiasm on her part, which in its turn tended to increase my efforts.

Another and unlooked for factor gradually appeared on the scene to confuse our plans in the shape of Captain Rodgers. Perhaps I was really right in thinking that Miss Delayne was not keeping to her compact as much as she ought to, but certainly this was partly the fault of the captain. The way he looked at and spoke to her was a source of great annoyance to me, because no doubt Mrs. Carruthers would notice it, and our little game would thereby be spoiled. And, therefore, I felt that Miss Delayne should not encourage him; but when I mentioned the matter to her she did not see it in that way at all.

As the days went on I found that Rodgers was always at her side when I happened to be away for a moment and he even began to accompany her on some of the outings. I remonstrated with her about this also, but she replied that we must be careful not to overdo our parts, and as I did not in any way wish her to think she was being compromised by me, I had to acquiesce in this, while tacitly writhing with a desire to kick Rodgers. It was impossible, too, for me to take him into my confidence, because apart from the fact that it was not my secret, he might then openly declare that he did not recognize the game or my right to monopolize Miss Delayne if I had no serious intentions.

Was it possible that Mrs. Carruthers having despaired of me, and being determined to make up a match for Miss Delayne, had put the captain on after all? If that was the case I would thwart her at all costs, and so I made every effort to forestall Rodgers on all occasions.

But the more I tried to be with Miss Delayne the more she contrived to keep out of my way; neither could I get any satisfactory explanation from her. In fact, she could not or would not see that she was not carrying out her part of the agreement. Her manner to me had gradually become more reserved than it was at first; there was not the confidence and feeling of equality which I had found in the beginning, and of course, it was all through that confounded Rodgers. I began to see that the game was not going to come off, and the sooner I left and ended it the better, as much a triviality was not worth the disturbance of my peace of mind. Accordingly I made my preparations, and that evening I told Miss Delayne about my intentions.

"I find that I shall have to leave to morrow morning," I replied.

"Indeed!" she replied. "I am very sorry."

She certainly appeared most concerned.

"Why are you sorry?" I said, feeling my way on to sentimental ground.

"Well, because you are going before me, and I am afraid that Mrs. Carruthers will ask me the fatal question."

"Is that all?" I asked disappointedly. "I was hoping—"

"I see you think it is rather selfish of me," she interrupted, "but I always think epigrams are so near to—to—"

"To what?" I asked.

"To the truth; at least—" she hesitated.

"Well, you should surely not be afraid to say it if it is the truth," I said.

"No, but then, you see, an epigram is supposed to be—— Oh, dear, I do not know what I mean. Why, how late it is. Suppose we join the others."

All of which was most unsatisfactory.

I was to leave in the morning soon after breakfast, and when the hour of departure had come round I went in search of Miss Delayne to say goodby. Now that I was on the point of going I felt sorry about it; indeed, it seemed to me that whatever pleasure I might derive from Mrs. Carruthers' now very problematical disappointment would be more than counterbalanced by the uncertainty into which I should drift as to Miss Delayne's future movements. For, to be truthful, I was rather nervous about mentioning the subject to her since this reserve had come between us. I found her reading in the conservatory, the place where our plans had been sown and where their fruits were about to be gathered. Perhaps she had thought I should look for her there; certainly I was not surprised to see her.

"I have come to say good-by," I said awkwardly. She closed her book and got up with a smile.

"Well, do not say good-by; rather let it be au revoir," she said.

"You do not mean that," I exclaimed. "I thought—"

"But why not? We are sure to meet in town somewhere."

"And you will let me know if Mrs. Carruthers says anything to you?" I asked indifferently.

Now that it was all over, the plan seemed to have fallen to dust in its very feebleness. What had it effected? It had tied me hand and foot, and I knew, now that I was leaving her, what had it wrought for me.

"Of course I will if you care," she said. "We have had very nice times together, haven't we?"

"I shall not forget them," I said "if only you—"

"Phil, Phil, where are you? The carriage is here," called Mrs. Carruthers as she ran into the conservatory. "Oh, here you are; I am so sorry you must go."

"Well, good-by," I said, taking Miss Delayne's hand and holding it for the benefit of Mrs. Carruthers, who was looking curiously at us. I felt the hand pulled, but I retained it in my grasp as Mrs. Carruthers said,—

"Now Clare, now, Phil, you naughty young people, you are not going to keep anything from me. Come, tell me all about it before you go."

I still retained the hand; it was so convenient for the denouement. Which of us should speak? I looked at Miss Delayne, but she gave me no encouragement.

"I hope you won't mind, Mrs. Caruthers," I began, apologetically, "but —but—" I had forgotten my part.

"We found out at the beginning," said Miss Delayne, "that our views of life," I continued hurriedly, "were—" "Were similar," put in Miss Delayne.

"And that," I added, "that it was therefore no use—"

I felt the hand tremble. I looked up into her eyes, and as the scales fell from mine I went on, "that it was therefore no use our ever thinking of parting." Mrs. Carruthers had left us. I heard her voice saying,—

"Send the carriage back; Mr. Mellor is staying on."

Then I heard her say,—

"Captain Rodgers, how can I thank you?"

The old bird had scored after all.—The Tatler.

One out of every 49 deaths in Minnesota is due to accident or negligence, according to the report of vital statistics for 1901 to 1897 inclusive.

THE REAL REASON WHY

THEORISTS TROUBLED BY THE TRADE BALANCE QUESTION.

The One Thing Certain Is That There Would Be No Trade Balances if Competitive Imports Had Not Been Wisely Restricted by a Protective Tariff.

Just now there is a good deal of discussion going on regarding the big trade balances piled up by the United States in the past four years of protection and prosperity. It is a subject which worries the free traders mightily. Some of them, like the Springfield Republican, have gone so far as to accuse the Bureau of Statistics of cooking up figures to show balances that really do not exist. Secretary Gage acknowledges that he doesn't know much about the matter, owing to the absence of reliable data as to the repurchase of American securities formerly held abroad. The London Times feels sure that the trade balances are more imaginary than actual, and that the United States is far from being the financial power which its people flatter themselves it is. The latest contribution to the question appears in the New York Times, from the pen of Mr. Nathaniel T. Bacon, who seems to have taken uncommon pains to get at the facts. Mr. Bacon believes that European investments in the United States in long time bonds are probably $1,700,000,000, with a billion and a half for the minimum and two billions for the maximum, and that we are buying back the securities, or paying off our European indebtedness, at the rate of something like $300,000,000, and if the present state of prosperity and international trade could be continued, we would wipe out the entire account in five years. From July 1, 1899, to the end of 1901, a period of thirty months, he computes a visible value in our favor of $1,510,000,000. He conjectures that $625,000,000, or $250,000,000 a year, is settled for by remittances for interest, expenses of travelers, incomes of Americans living abroad, military expenditures outside of the United States, and gifts, like Mr. Carnegie's gifts to the Scotch Universities; that $265,000,000 of American capital has been invested abroad in this period, and that American have bought $95,000,000 of foreign bonds and bought back $525,000,000 of American securities, these items aggregating $1,510,000,000.

The one thing that appears to be certain is that in the past four years this country has succeeded in placing itself on "Easy street," as regards payments of foreign indebtedness and interest and dividend disbursements. How we got there is easily told. The world wanted the things which we had to sell to the amount of about $1,400,000,000 in the year just closed, and instead of paying us back in manufactured commodities, as would have been the case under a continuance of low tariff and no tariff conditions, we have had our pay in cash or its equivalent in debts discharged or expenditures offset. We have had not only paid interest and dividends on American securities owned abroad and on foreign capital invested in this country, but we have made good the $200,000,000 paid to foreigners for carrying our oversea freights, also the big sums which foreign companies tax us for marine insurance, and the big sums spent by American tourists. In addition we have taken our pay in huge blocks of American securities, so that this year's January disbursements of interest and dividends have gone almost altogether to American holders, instead of going in great part to foreign holders, as used to be the case. All this has been going on for four years. It could not and would not have gone on if we had been operating under a free trade tariff instead of a protective tariff. Be our apparent or our actual balances what they may, they are ours because of protection.

ORANGES AND APPLES.

Tariff Reform Views Influenced by Local Conditions.

Congressman Cummings, of New York, has a bill before Congress calling for a reduction of the protective tariff on citrus fruits thirty-three and one-third per cent. His bill has thus far been buried in the committee to which referred, with small probability of it ever being resurrected. Mr. Cummings has no concern for California and Florida interests. For all he cares their great industries may go to the dogs. If he could have his full way the citrus fruits of the United States would go upon the free list, the growing of such fruits on this continent for market purposes come to an end, and all the vast investment locked up in that branch of horticulture and all the great industrial activity related to it would go to ruin.

Apples are extensively grown in New York. Indeed, the apple crop of the Empire State far exceeds in value and in importance to the people the cereal industry of that State. The apple crop of the United States is greater in money values and industrial prosperity than the wheat or the corn crop. A total failure of the apple crop in the United States would entail more injury than a total failure of the wheat crop.

Would Mr. Cummings, in case the apple was grown outside our domain in large quantities, move to place apples on the free list, or to remove from that product any protection it may receive by law? We think not. Yet California, Florida and some other parts promise in citrus industry the development of a great and increasing valuable production. Already the citrus industry is so valuable to California and to Florida that such a scheme as Mr. Cummings fathers, if made law, would prove a deadly blow to those States, and entail loss and misery almost beyond calculation.

Ten years from to-day the home citrus fruit industry will be a hundred times greater in proportions and in values than it is to-day. Yet so-called tariff reformers propose not only to paralyze it in its infancy, but forbid its development and maturity utterly. —Sacramento Record.

A Year's Fatalities in the Alps.

Last year's list of fatalities in the Swiss Alps reached the record number of 119.

CONDEMNED MEN ESCAPED

Biddle Brothers, Sentenced to Death, Overpowered the Guards.

WOMAN GAVE SAWS AND PISTOLS

The Warden's Wife Was Infatuated With One of the Murderers—Doomed Men Threw One of the Guards to the Floor, Shot Another, Locked Up All, and Obtained Prison Keys.

Pittsburg, Penn.—Edward and John Biddle, awaiting execution in the county jail for the murder of Grocer Thos D. Kahney, of Mount Washington overpowered the guards at 4 o'clock Friday morning and escaped. The prisoners had been provided with saws with which they cut the bars in their cells until ready at any moment to make an opening sufficiently large to pass through. They occupied adjoining cells on the second range, and evidently had been preparing for some time for escape. Both were armed with revolvers.

Just before 4 o'clock one of the Biddles called to James McGeary for medicine, saying his brother was dangerously sick. McGeary hastened to the cell with the medicine, when John Biddle sprang through an opening in the cell and, seizing the guard around the waist, hurled him over the railing to the stone floor beneath, a distance of sixteen feet.

Edward Biddle joined his brother immediately, and with drawn revolvers the two hurried to the first floor, where they met Guard Reynolds and shot him. There were but three men on duty, and the third was on one of the upper ranges. He was ordered down at the point of the revolvers, and the three guards were put in the dungeon.

The keys were taken from Keeper McGeary, and the prisoners then had a clear field. The Biddles went to the wardrobe where the guards keep their clothing, and each put on a new suit. They then unlocked the outside gates and passed out into Ross street.

The escape was not discovered until the daylight guards came on duty, at 6 o'clock. They were informed by prisoners where the night guards had been placed. These soon were released from the dungeon and sent to the Homeopathic Hospital. The injured guards will recover.

The escape of the Biddles was explained later by a statement from Warden Peter K. Soffel, who alleges that his wife furnished the revolvers and saws which enabled the men to escape. Soffel declares that his wife, infatuated with Edward Biddle, has left her home and four children.

ROYAL HONORS FOR A ROOSEVELT

President's Daughter Will Rank With Princesses at the Coronation.

Washington, D. C.—Miss Alice Roosevelt has had her way and will go to the coronation of King Edward as the guest of Whitelaw Reid. Those familiar with court procedure say that Miss Roosevelt, as the daughter of the President, should be received with the most distinguished honor. Experts hold that Miss Roosevelt would be out of place as a young lady merely in the suite of Mr. Reid.

Those who know foreign customs say that Miss Roosevelt would rank with the Princesses of the blood. She would, therefore, wear a robe of royal purple. She will be distinguished from the peeresses by additional bands of ermine miniver. The Princesses will wear golden coronets. Miss Roosevelt will be conspicuous among this group because she will not wear a coronet.

Miss Roosevelt has asked this favor of her father as a birthday gift.

BOY DIES FIGHTING THIEVES.

Shot to the Heart While Holding His Employer's Money.

Chicago. — Horace Schroeder, aged seventeen, was found dead face downward, with a bullet hole in his heart, on the floor of D. C. Burus's grocery store. Beneath the body was found a bag of coins and bills, the change received in the grocery. Near-by lay a revolver, four chambers of which were empty.

The boy worked for Burns and it was his duty to open the place of business each morning. Two bullet holes through the window of the store and a number of holes in the woodwork and showcases indicated that the boy had defended the property of his employer from robbers.

CIGARETTE KILLS A WOMAN.

Smoked It to Relieve Toothache and Died of Blood-Poisoning.

Atlanta, Ga.—Mrs. C. E. Chandler died of blood poisoning brought on, according to physicians, by smoking a cigarette. A few days ago Mrs. Chandler smoked part of a cigarette to relieve a toothache. She had a little blister on her lip, and as the cigarette pained her lip she immediately threw it away. Her lip began to swell and ache and soon her whole face was badly swollen.

It is not contended that her death was the result of inhaling the nicotine, but the theory is that the end of the cigarette contained some disease germ that brought on the blood-poisoning.

Gage Bids Farewell to Cabinet.

Secretary Gage has participated in his last Cabinet meeting and President Roosevelt and the Secretary's associate members individually expressed to him their most sincere regret at the severance of relations which always have been of the closest possible character.

Extradition Treaties Ratified.

Supplemental extradition treaties with Belgium and Denmark, including additional crimes for which fugitive criminals may be extradited, were ratified by the United States Senate, as was also a treaty with Guatemala providing for the tenure of real and personal property.

Terrorism in Ireland.

A reign of terror is said to exist in County Roscommon, Ireland, where the Land League agitation against paying rent is at its height.

Disinherited, She Gets $120,000.

A compromise suddenly ended the trial of the Medbury will contest at Detroit, Mich. Mrs. Eason, the daughter of Mrs. Lucetta R. Medbury, who was disinherited, is said to have accepted one-fifth of her mother's $600,000 estate.

General Metcalf Confirmed.

The nomination of General Wilder S. Metcalf to be Pension Agent at Topeka, Kan., was confirmed by the United States Senate, Senator Hoar accepting as satisfactory his exoneration by the committee on the charge of having killed a Filipino prisoner.

JAIL BREAKERS SHOT DOWN

Biddle Brothers and Mrs. Soffel Captured After a Desperate Fight.

OVERTAKEN ON SNOWCLAD ROAD

Shots Were Exchanged Sixty Yards Apart—Both Murderers Wounded, One Mortally, and the Woman Turned Revolver on Herself—None of the Pursuers Injured—Statement of Dying Outlaw.

Butler, Penn. — After an exciting chase through the snowclad hills and valleys of Butler County, Edward and John Biddle, the condemned murderers, who escaped from jail in Pittsburg on Thursday morning, aided by Mrs. Kate Soffel, wife of the Warden, were brought to bay by two sleighloads of officers. Mrs. Soffel was with the outlaws.

As a result of the battle, Edward Biddle was wounded mortally, being shot in the left breast and in one leg; John Biddle was riddled with buckshot in the breast and head, and Mrs. Soffel, seeing that recapture was inevitable, turned one of her revolvers on herself and fired into her breast.

The story of the close of the Biddle tragedy is a thrilling one. The scene was a snow-covered road two miles east of Prospect, Butler County, near Mount Chestnut, and the exact place was at McClure's barn. Here two double-team sleighs, filled with eight officers, three of them Pittsburg detectives—John Roach, Albert Swinehart and Charles McGovern—met the two Biddles and Mrs. Soffel in a one-horse sleigh stolen at Perrysville. The short but decisive battle followed.

Trace of the fugitives was obtained when they stole the sleigh in Perrysville. They drove in the direction of Saxonburg, and local officers immediately started in pursuit, being certain of the identity of the party. Word also was sent to Pittsburg for aid.

The Pittsburg police were, met in Butler by Deputy Sheriffs Rainey and Hoon and Frank Holliday and Aaron Thompson, local policemen under command of Chief of Police Robert Ray, of Butler.

The Biddles and Mrs. Soffel ate dinner in the home of J. J. Stephens, in Mount Chestnut, five miles east of Butler. They had made a detour of the town of Butler, and after going several miles east turned north and then west. The Pittsburg officers, only a few miles in the rear, took the wrong road for about eight miles, but when they found their mistake they made up for lost time by telephoning and telegraphing ahead for fresh horses.

They reached Mount Chestnut not less than half an hour after the Biddles and Mrs. Soffel. At this point William Watson, a storekeeper, had fresh horses awaiting them, and the chase for life began anew.

The two sleighs with the eight officers aboard started westward and met the Biddles and Mrs. Soffel at McClure's barn, two miles from Mount Prospect, the Biddles having learned that they were almost overtaken, and taking what they considered the only chance they had drove eastward and met their doom.

The Pittsburg and other officers were armed with Winchester rifles and revolvers of large calibre. They shot to kill, and their aim was perfect. The Biddles also were heavily armed, but not one of the eight officers has a wound as the result of the battle.

When the detectives got within about sixty yards of the fugitives they opened fire. The Biddles promptly answered with shotgun and revolver.

When Ed Biddle fell and Mrs. Soffel saw she was about to be captured she fired a bullet into her breast. An examination by physicians shows that she will recover, as the bullet was deflected by her corset, and the wound is comparatively slight.

Ed Biddle got a bullet in the breast which penetrated his right lung. John Biddle may recover, his wounds, though numerous, failing to reach a vital spot.

After the Biddles fell to the snow-covered ground the officers picked up the apparently lifeless bodies of Mrs. Soffel and the Biddles and came back to Butler, bringing the stolen sleigh, patched up harness and worn-out horse that the trio had tried so strenuously to get away with toward Canada and liberty.

At the jail Ed Biddle called for a priest and made the following statement: "I have been accused of a great many serious crimes. I want to say now that I did not kill Detective Fitzgerald, nor did I shoot Thomas Kahney, nor was my brother implicated in the latter affair. Mrs. Soffel aided us in getting out of the county jail, and had it not been for her we would have made our escape to-day. She gave up everything for us and I was bound to back her. I did not shoot her. She shot herself. I am grateful to the woman who helped us to escape. She did it out of sympathy, and I persuaded her to do it."

At this point Biddle showed signs of collapse and made an effort to signal the priest. Father Walsh then administered the rites of the dying. Biddle was asked if he wanted to send any word to his brother and he shook his head, "No."

Chinamen Disguised as Women.

Isaac Putney has been arrested at Ogdensburg, N. Y., charged with being a Chinamen into the country from Canada, having them disguised as women.

Girl of Twelve Poisons Mother.

Ionia Turner, twelve years old, and her schoolmate, May Holland, thirteen years old, at Springfield, Ohio, were arrested charged with the murder of Mrs. George Turner, the mother of Ionia, a few days ago, by putting rat poison in the coffee pot. In a confession the girl, Ionia, said that she put the poison in the coffee pot in a fit of temper because her two brothers were constantly telling their mother stories about her which, the girl says, discouraged her so that life at home was unbearable.

Dog Saves Town From Fire.

The warning bark of a little dog owned by John L. Mulcahey saved Brookfield, Mass., from wide-spread disaster, but the little beast was burned to death in the fire which his frantic yelping had brought to notice. Three buildings, valued at $15,000, were destroyed, and five firemen hurt by one structure falling on them.

$545,876,305 in Gold in the Treasury.

The amount of gold in the United States Treasury was $545,876,305, the highest point ever reached in the history of the Government.

DYNAMITE SPREADS HAVOC

Explosion in a New York Tunnel Causes Heavy Damage.

SIX KILLED; OVER 100 INJURED

A Lighted Candle Sets Fire to a Shanty Where a Quantity of Dynamite Is Stored—Two Hotels Ruined, a Hospital Wrecked and Residences Damaged—Property Loss Estimated at $1,000,000.

New York City. — Dynamite cartridges in a frail shanty on a platform over the west shaft of Section 4 of the subway tunnel in Park avenue, just south of Forty-first street, exploded through a fire which started among paper in the shanty just after noon on Monday with fatal, maiming and injuring results and wide destruction of property. Six persons were killed by the disaster and more than 125 were injured, few, however, of them having more serious hurts than cuts inflicted by glass or wreckage.

The list of the dead is as follows: Cyrus Adams, cigar man, at the Murray Hill Hotel; James Carr, a waiter employed at the Murray Hill Hotel; Lawrence Hine, twenty years old, of Ansonia, Conn.; J. Roderick Robertson, of Nelson, British Columbia, a guest at the Murray Hill Hotel; John H. Thompson, assistant engineer, and Thomas Tubbs, master mechanic.

Moses Epps, one of those injured seriously and who is a prisoner in the Flower Hospital, made a statement which fixes the cause of the accident and places the responsibility for the presence in the shanty of more dynamite than the law permits more or less directly on the contractor for the work in Section 4, Major Ira A. Shaler, who was arrested shortly after the accident. Epps stated that while the law permitted only sixty-two pounds of dynamite to be kept at one time in the shanty there were in it when he discovered that paper on the floor was on fire 585 pounds of the explosive.

The explosion practically wrecked the Murray Hill Hotel, killing a guest and two employes, ruined the facades of the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital and the Grand Union Hotel, and seriously damaged the Forty-second street front of the Grand Central Station.

Minor damage was done for blocks around, chiefly in the item of broken glass and plastering, and the effects of the explosion were experienced in this way over a large area in the neighborhood. The total of property loss is about $1,000,000. The damage to subway property was comparatively slight, and may be repaired within a week.

The explosion was spoken of by all who heard it and who saw its immediate results as the most violent in point of noise, force and widespread destruction that has occurred in the United States from any cause. Several had experiences in disasters of a similar nature and with fearful accidents from gas, high explosives and gunpowder.

One said that in many respects it resembled the explosions due to gas mixed in explosive proportions with air in mains in the Tottenham Court Road, London, in July, 1880. Another said that the only parallel to it in point of force exhibited and fatalities and damage was the explosion on the steamship Mosel at Bremerhaven in December, 1875. This came of criminal design, and the explosion was detonated by clockwork devised by one Thomas, who committed suicide.

District Attorney Jerome was prompt in beginning an investigation of the disaster. The investigation will be thorough, and one of its results is likely to be the discovery that high explosives have for a long time been stored along the subway where rock-blasting operations are conducted without regard to legal limitations as to quantity.

There was a clash of the authorities whose duty it is to investigate the responsibility for the disaster. Coroner Goldenkranz, on hearing of the explosion, empanelled a special jury to decide what should be done with the three men who first were placed under arrest. District Attorney Jerome, after leaving the scene of the accident, insisted that the Coroner was proceeding illegally. As a result of the dispute there was a personal encounter between the District Attorney and a Coroner's clerk.

Of the five persons who were placed under arrest two are held as important witnesses. The others are Ira A. Shaler, who has the contract for that section of the subway; his foreman and his assistant foreman. Pending the result of the inquest they were held by the Coroner, each in $10,000 bail.

BURIED TREASURE FOUND.

Chinese Officials Discover Vast Sum in Palace at Pekin.

Pekin, China.—Chinese officials have found treasure to the value of over 100,000,000 taels (about $70,000,000) in gold and silver, which was buried in the women's quarters of the palace before the court fled from Pekin.

The court has granted 5,000,000 taels annually to Yuan Shi-Kai, Viceroy of Pe-Chi-Li, for the maintenance of an army of 100,000 men in Pe-Chi-Li Province.

Yuan Shi-Kai has been given practical control of the army and navy of China, and proposes engaging Japanese instructors for the army and British instructors for the navy.

Spanish Gunboat Wrecked.

The obsolete Spanish gunboat Condor has been towed into Vigo, Spain, in a damaged condition, due to the explosion of her boiler, which killed four men and injured nine others, including the commander. She is practically a wreck.

Spurious Coin in Porto Rico.

The United States Marshal has seized near Ponce, Porto Rico, $3000 in counterfeit silver quarters, half dollars and dollars. Ramon Rentas and Moreno Oritz were arrested.

Archduchess of Austria a Bride.

The Archduchess Elizabeth, granddaughter of Emperor Francis Joseph, was married to Prince Otho Von Windisch-Graetz, at Vienna, Austria, in the presence of Emperor Francis Joseph, Countess Lonyay (formerly the Crown Princess Stephanie), the bride's mother, and a number of princes and princesses belonging to the imperial family.

A Boer General Captured.

General Ben Viljoen, one of the principal Boer leaders still in the field, has been captured in the Transvaal.

SCHLEY'S PLEA ANSWERED

Navy Department Says He Was Not Commander at Santiago.

RECORDS ARE CITED IN SUPPORT

The Judge Advocate Asserts That Schley Did Not Control the Movements of Any Part of the Fleet—Question of Command, He States, a Feature of Minor Importance—Sampson's Victory.

Washington, D. C.—"The plain truth of the matter, developed for the first time under the searchlight of this inquiry, although quite incidentally, is that, so far as the Gloucester, the Iowa, the Indiana, the Texas and the Oregon are concerned, not the stroke of a propeller blade, not the touch of a helm, not the firing of a shot, was done under the direction or by the orders of Admiral Schley during this memorable battle."

This is the conclusion of the answer made by Captain S. C. Lemly and E. P. Hanna, Judge Advocate and Assistant Judge Advocate respectively of the Schley court of inquiry, to the brief of Rear-Admiral Schley.

In his letter to the department it is asserted that Rear-Admiral Schley did not ask that the question of command be determined. Before the court such incidental testimony as came in was on Rear-Admiral Schley's side only. The doors of the court were entirely closed to Rear-Admiral Sampson.

By the preliminary judicious disposition of American forces made by Rear-Admiral Sampson the battle was practically won before it was begun, the Judge Advocate and his assistant declare, and credit is accordingly due to the commander-in-chief for that. The orders of battle upon which the captains of the American fleet acted on July 3 were, it is alleged, in no respect modified by any orders issued or signals made by Rear-Admiral Schley during the fight.

Rear-Admiral Schley testified that Rear-Admiral Sampson's plan failed because the enemy succeeded in passing the battle line. Commander Wainwright stated that "our left was refused."

"That is," Captain Lemly and Mr. Hanna say, "the Brooklyn did not continue to hold the left. The Brooklyn, having left her position on the left of the line, thereby left an unguarded opening along the western shore, through which the Spanish fleet passed. The "loop" by which Commodore Schley took the Brooklyn further away from the enemy, by her tactical diameter at the very least, was executed while his signal to the fleet to 'close up' was flying."

At the opening of the battle the New York was in sight, and, it is asserted, probably nearer to the east wing of the American line than the Brooklyn. If the New York was within signal distance, evidence, if heard, would probably show, according to the Judge Advocate and his assistant, that Rear-Admiral Sampson was in command. During the first part of the engagement the New York and the Brooklyn both signalled to close up, but it is contended there is evidence that neither of these signals was seen, or, if seen, that they accomplished nothing.

Schley did not exercise command over any ship, it is asserted, except to some extent over the Brooklyn.

TO END WAR TAXES.

Ways and Means Committee Recommends to Repeal Practically All of Them.

Washington, D. C.—The end to all the war taxes is in sight. The Republicans of the Ways and Means Committee have recommended the repeal of all the taxes imposed because of the Spanish-American war, save the small and insignificant levy on mixed flour.

The action of the committee came as a surprise to men at both ends of the Capitol, because it was generally understood that only a portion of the imposts would be removed at present.

Chairman Payne, in a statement issued to the press, said that the decision will mean approximately a reduction of the Government receipts by $77,000,000. "The Treasury has now an available cash balance of $174,000,000," said Mr. Payne. "It is not likely that this will be increased during the present fiscal year, as the Treasury is buying bonds at a rate that will use up the surplus that may accumulate before the end of the fiscal year, June 30 next. The committee therefore thought it was safe to repeal the remainder of the war revenue taxes, amounting to about $78,000,000."

Action on Cuban Reciprocity Deferred.

Washington, D. C.—The Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee have decided to postpone Cuban reciprocity until after a bill for the reduction of the war tariff is framed.

SHOT DEAD IN CHURCH AISLE.

Girl's Brother Went There to Object to Young Man's Attentions.

Chillicothe, Ohio.—Joseph Cox shot and killed Howard Ratteliff at church, at Eagle Mills. Cox had been paying attention to Ratteliff's sister, and Ratteliff strongly objected.

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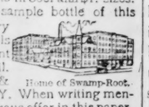

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LEAVE THE TATIFF ALONE.

Speaker Henderson is correct as to the advisability of refraining from tariff tinkering at the present time. While he declares that revision in certain parts of the tariff laws could be advantageously made, he points out there is danger that "in trying to reach a few remedies we will involve the country in serious difficulties." He also says he indorses the position taken in President Roosevelt's message that "there is general acquiescence in our present tariff system as a national policy."

There is wisdom in all this. No tariff is perfect, even for the time at which it is framed. Every tariff act, like legislation of many other sorts, is a compromise among diverse interests. It satisfies no one entirely, and it grows, in spots, less and less satisfactory as time alters conditions. But there is always a chance that when any revision at all of a tariff is attempted, the whole system is taken up for discussion. In every instance when tariff changes have been started the changes have affected more articles than the changers intended at the outset. One of the consequences of this tinkering has been that men in nearly all sorts of industries have been made uncertain regarding the outlook and as a consequence enterprise is blighted for the time.

COLUMBIA'S POWER.

All the old world is fighting for Miss Coulumbia's favor. Russia tells her she is too level headed to be fooled by England. Germany sends her Prince and her lordly Emperor intends to pay her a visit to show how much he thinks of "the beautful mistress of the West." England swears fealty and promises a visit from the Prince of Wales ere long, France claims warm friendship always, in a sisterly way.

Columbia is a great lady now, her nod and smile mean power and she knows it, but she graciously accepts all the boquets showered on her for she is the friend of every nation and, working out her own beneficient destiny, desires the peace and prosperity of all peoples on the face of the earth.

A MISTAKEN MOVEMENT.

A movement to induce some of our millionaires to found a Journalist's Home for indigent newspaper men has been started by Col. Watterson and Col. Andrew McClure, and, as the leading philanthropic wealthy man of the century, Mr. Carnegie has been interviewed on the subject. He is willing to subscribe some of his dollars but, with his innate good sense, doubts the success of such a movement although he does not give the true reason for the sure and utter failure of such a plan to shame an honorable profession.

Although the rewards are not great journalists are not paupers any more than lawyers or doctors. They have pride and a home provided by charity would shelter few real newspaper men.

LIFE'S CONTRASTS.

Schley says he will not enter politics. Dewey's example has shown him what a great blunder such a course would be. The Admiral has been having a triumphant journey through the west and South and has been feted galore In sad contrast, the Commander-in-Chief, after his weary months of directing and watching, after his glowing hopes of honor and renown, is slowly dying beset by the sorest affiiction that can befall a human being, that of a diseased and clouded mind.

Arthur P. Gorman is the first of the old-line Democratic leaders to return to power. He is a representative of the party as it was before the ascendency of Bryan, and his election to the Senate is significant. It is a demonstration of the fact that Bryanism has passed in at least one State and Mr. Gorman's personality in the Senate will do much to restore the conservative element of the party to power.

A newspaper rumor has been started that there are negotiations pending for the sale of the Philippines to Germany and that the visit of Prince Henry to this country is preliminary to the announcement of the sale. Whether true or not, it is infinitely better than the abandonment of the islands by this country to internal dissensions or the preying of other countries.

A Democratic paper declares that "the great prosperity of the country is shown by the statement of the condition of the national banks, whose resources reach the magnificent total of $5,722,720,635." Why not be satisfied with such prosperity instead of plotting for a change?

Admiral Schley declares that he wants no office, and undoubtedly he means it. But his abrupt declaration will not please those who would use him as a presidential candidate.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 3, 1902.

The Philippine revenue bill is still before the Senate and there seems to be a concerted effort on the democratic side of the chamber to delay its passage. What the democrats have to gain by filibustering is not apparent unless they are hoping to embarrass Secretary Root and the Philippine Commission, nevertheless that appears to be their policy. So foreign to the question have been the discussions of some of the senators in speeches supposed to be germane to the measure that Senator Hoar recently suggested that the Senate "consider the life and character of Mary Queen of Soots" Senator Lodge has not attempted to press the passage because as he first desired that the Philippine Committee have an opportunity of listening to such testimony as Governor Taft might have to offer. The Governor's statements have all supported the contention of the administration that peace is being rapidly established and that, with the funds necessary to carry on the public improvements required in the islands, the last vestige of the insurrection will disappear. Without the building of good roads, however, some of the brigands in the more inaccessible portions are likely to make trouble for some time to come.

The Senate has passed a bill providing for the establishment of a Department of Commerce and Labor and favorable action is expected in the House. Particularly is this assured because the House has already passed a measure making the census bureau permanent, a feature which is practically incorporated in the Senate's measure. The republican senators have determined upon a program for the remainder of the session which provides that the Philipsine tariff bill, the isthmian canal bill, the Philippine government bill, the subsidy bill and the Cuban reciprocity bill shall be considered in the order named.

Senator Cullom recently delivered a speech setting forth his views in regard to the treaty making powers of the Senate and the Executive in which he claimed that the provision in the Dingley bill relating to treaties was unconstitutional because it had a tendency to limit the powers conferred on the Senate by the constitution. An attempt was made by Mr. Richardson, the democratic leader in the House, to make trouble between the Senate and the House in regard to this matter by the appointment of a committee to investigate the powers of the Senate, but the superior judgment of the republican leaders prevailed.

A bill has been introduced in Congress providing for the increase of the pay of the rural free delivery carriers. At present they receive $500 a year, and as they have to keep two horses this compensation is clearly inadequate. The service requires a responsible class of men, and the pay ought to be made fairly compensatory.

The plain people read of the actions of some senators with astonishment, when, in the peaceful halls of Congress, they wrangle and nearly come to blows over the right and wrong of our country's stand toward its armed foe in the field. Peace to the senatorial tongue as well as in the tented field.

Recent debates in both branches of Congress show that the old wheelhorses, men who have been in the legislative halls for a long time, have a decided advantage over the younger members who try to cross lances with them. They have, at the tips of their tongues, witty sallies and retorts for any and every occasion.

Uncle Adlai Stevenson says the Democratic party must present an unbroken front in 1904. The trouble with the Democracy is that we don't often get a front view of it It is nearly always traveling in the wrong direction.

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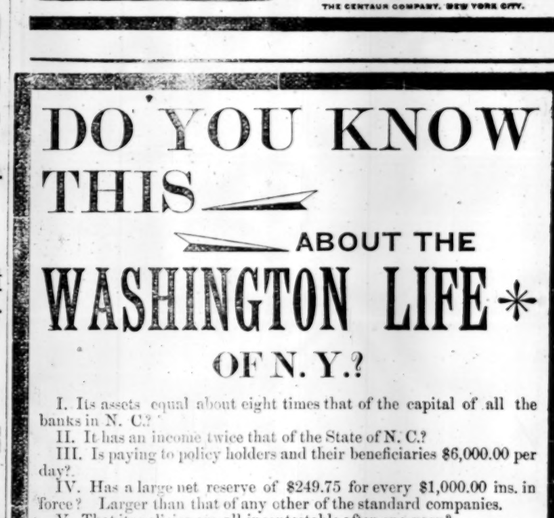

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NOTICE.

North Carolina, Perquimans County.

In the Superior Court, Spring Term 1902.

Lizzie Nora Morgan ptff. against John S Morgan Deft.

The defendant above named, John Morgan will take notice, that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Perquimans County, by the plaintiff above named, to obtain a divorce from the bonds of matrimony which now exists between said plaintiff and defendant; and the said defendant will take further notice that he is required to appear at the next term of the Superior Court of said county, to be held in the town of Hertford, on the 4th Monday in March A. D. 1902, at the court house of said county of Perquimans, State aforesaid, and answer or demur to the complaint in said action, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

This 19th day of December 1901.

E. V. PERRY, C. S. C.
Perquimans County, N. C.

F. PICARD. Ptff's Atty. 6t

NOTICE IN BANKRUPTCY.

In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In Bankruptcy.

In the matter of W. H. Lamb, Bankrupt. } In Bankruptcy.

To the creditors of W. H. Lamb, of Belvidere, in the county of Perquimans, and district aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 10th day of Jan., A. D., 1902, the said W. H. Lamb was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in Elizabeth City, on the 30th day of January, A. D., 1902, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

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NOTE.

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BRICKS WITHOUT STRAW.

More than a thousand years ago—
Shadows of time, how the days go by—
There was a man I used to know—
May seem strange, but you'll see it's so
After I tell you the reason why—
Worked in a brickyard, same as you
And all of us have to do;
Mixed in the trouble and worry and strife,
The mirth and the other things of life;
Stirred in the hopes and the pains and fears,
Kneaded the mud with his sweat and his tears,
Humanest mass that ever you saw.
"Poor brick!" said the man, "but I have no straw!"

Up to his knees in the miry pit,
A tyranny's way, but a giant's grit;
His back was a chain of throbbing aches,
Lifting the mold with its earthen cakes;
Elbows rusty as hinges of steel,
Knees so lame he could hardly kneel;
Mud so stiff it would clog a plow
And couldn't be stirred with a wheel nohow;
Nights as short as the days were long;
Nothing seemed right, but everything wrong.
"But I can do," said the man; "but, pshaw,
You can't make brick when you have no straw!"

Taskmasters pitiless lashed the man.
"Can't!" sobbed Weakness, but Courage cried,
"Can!"
"Don't!" said Despair, but Duty cried, "Do!"
"All right," said the man, "I'll worry her through!
Can't do much, and I reckon you'll see
Brick won't be just what they ought to be;
Ain't much on good as I know I could make
If I just had straw; but you'll have to take
The best I can do for the work's own sake."

He finished his tale of brick and then
Went home to rest, and the sons of men
Looked on his perfect work and saw
He'd have spoiled the brick had he put in straw.

—Robert J. Burdette.

FROM HITHER AND YON.

State Auditor Dixon says a Republican, Populist or Democrat stands an equal chance before the Pension Board as there is no politics in it.

On Tuesday the Supreme Court examined thirty-one would-be lawyers, three being colored men. This is the smallest number applying for license in years.

Mr. James W. Luffs, the creator of the model village of Pinehurst, this State, died suddenly on Monday night. His death is a great loss to the state. He was worth $20,000,000.

Col. David S. Carter a prominent citizen of Hyde county is dead. He had held a number of positions of trust and honor. He was a worthy and useful man.

Norfolk has had a disastrous fire, destroying the Atlantic Hotel and nearly the entire block on which it stood. About half the loss was covered by insurance.

S. A. Miller of Greenwood is the possessor of a cow which has twin calves. He thinks it is because feed is high and she wanted to give full returns for the feed she eats.

The Roosevelts are popular in Washington. They keep open house, entertaining their friends lavishly and that means business for merchants, florists, dressmakers, hotel keepers liverymen and others. Their hospitality induces others to entertain more frequently so business is on a boom.

The South consumes in its cotton mills 45 17 per cent of the cotton bales used by the factories of the United States. Northern mills in the year ending last August consumed 1,966,897 bales; Southern mills used 1,620,931. The significance of these figures is understood when it is added that ten years ago the Northern mills took 2,190,760 bales and the Southern only 686,080."

The latest from Washington is that the Custom House will not be changed until after the new public building is ready for occupancy. This is as it should be. Everything is coming our way but there is no need of haste and when the handsome new quarters are ready our sister city will recognize our progressive rights. Edenton has a past, but, as everybody knows, Elizabeth has a future.

A man in New Jersey is said on good authority to be 129 years old. At present and for a long time past his diet has consisted chiefly of sausage and turnips. He has smoked since he was seven years old, and he chewed tobacco until fifteen years ago, when he was only 114 years old. This man with such an objectionable diet and such bad habits, ought to have died at the age of twenty-nine years, as a solemn warning. On the contrary, he has had the audacity to be unscientific to the extent of living one hundred years longer than he ought. Thus does nature in a freakish mood now and then make fun of us.

The last Legislature gave added powers to a Chief of the Fire Department. According to this law there must be a "Chief" in every city or incorporated town in the state whether there is a fire company there or not. This "Chief" has the right to investigate every fire in his community and report to the State Insurance Co. and if found of incendiary origin to make such report. He is also empowered to seek and correct all places that could become fire traps and to look after newly erected buildings as to their fire safety.

President McNeill of the state Fire Association is visiting the various towns of the state to see if these laws are complied with. He will doubtless find this city in correct shape.

Silk Culture.

Mr. Geraldy McCarthy Botanist and Biologist of the Agricultural Department says that since the publication of an article on Silk Culture in the Agricultural Bulletin several requests have come asking for information where suitable land at reasonable rates could be found to establish silk farms and mills. One request comes from a large New York firm that possesses ample capital to make a successful trial. A member of this firm intends to visit the towns of North Carolina and view conditions. The land wanted must grow the white mulberry. The land about here will do this as the editor can testify after his troublesome experience in eradicating it from his own premises where it wants to spring up in every neglected spot. As the birds eat the fruit and caterpillars fancy the leaves the tree is a nuisance but as the leaves are the food for the Silk worms the birds might have the berries and the caterpillars fought to the finish.

The establishment of silk mills would give employment to many, both male and female. An earnest effort might bring them here and thus open up an important industry to our people.

A Hagging Social.

One church in the west must be wanting cash badly judging by the means taken to add to its treasury. A church that gave such a "social" in this city would soon have no members.

The young people of the North Greenfield, Ohio, Congregational Church gave a hugging social the other evening and raised $75 toward paying off the church debt. Following were the rates charged;

Girls under fifteen years, 50 cents.

Twenty to twenty-five years, 75 cents.

Another man's wife, $1.

Old maid, 3 cents and no time limit.

Adelia Dennison, who prepared the schedule of prices, was probably the most popular of the young women. The girls of the congregation set another meeting for February 1, but the older members say it must be called off, as the bounds of propriety have already been overstepped. The recent hugging match has widely advertised the affair, and the girls say that if the one arranged for February 1, is given they will pay off the entire debt. The social was more largely patronized by middle aged and old men than by the young men.

A wise and simple philosophy of life is this:

"One can have a happy life—happy as the day is long, by making happiness one of the main purposes of living. The foundation of this is good health—and anybody can have good health by starting out in time for it. It is to be had by the moderate eating of simple and wholesome food, which soon becomes a luxury to the palate: a clean skin; out-door exercise every day, without regard to the weather, except in the way of warm and dry clothing; keeping the mind cheerful, keeping the heart kindly; avoiding anxiety and longing about business affairs, contentment with one's lot."

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LOCAL MENTION

The sun rose this morning at 6:58 and will set to-night at 5:31.—The other large towns of the State are taking an interest in base ball and delegates from such met at Raleigh this week to form a State League. Has this town no healthy fondness for athletics—The first white shad of the season was caught at a fishery near Hertford on Saturday.—Captain Spence is able to be out again after a week's tussel with his persevering enemy, the grip.—The stork visited Shepard street on Saturday last and left a little girl to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Constant Fearing.—A mock marriage of little people was celebrated in the annex of the Baptist church this week.—It is thought that impure food, such as moldy fodder and diseased grain, is a great cause of the mortality among the horses.—The Baptist church in this city shows by its works its faith in foreign missions. It has subscribed over $600 for that purpose this year. This church supports five ministers, the regular pastor, two chapel workers and a missionary and native worker in China.—Miss Nannie Burgess and Mrs. Percy McMullen entertained some of their friends last week.—Mr. J. B. Flora is seeing the wonders of Cuba. The beautiful isle no doubt offers many opportunities for investment but Elizabeth City needs every dollar that her wealthy men can salt down in the bank of her future prosperity.—The Roanoke Island Celebration seems to be having a set-back. Senator Simmons thinks national aid could not be procured by this summer.—Mr. B. H. Woodrell, secretary of the J. O. O. F. will visit the lodges of the order tonight and tomorrow night. All Odd Fellows in good standing are invited to be present.—Mr. W. L. Parker died of blood poisoning last week. He had been employed by Weatherly & Twiddy for a number years.—Do not antagonize the new railroad from the start. Some such tactics were employed towards the Norfolk & Southern and we are still reaping the fruits. Elizabeth City wants the road and a generous attitude will bring a generous return. A new road with good will on both sides would be an important factor towards inducing the N. & S. to tote fair.—Mr. C. R. Jones who moved from this city to Baltimore fifteen years ago, was here on a visit last week. He expressed surprise at the marvelous growth of Betsy since he last saw it.—The social world has been dull this winter, but the dancing set is now preparing to give its annual ante-lenten German at the Academy of Music.—Mr. Anson Cahoon is visiting relatives here.—The disastrous fire at Norfolk has aroused that city to increase its water supply. The firemen worked like heroes but the scarcity of water caused thousands of dollars loss. This town, too, needs a better protection against fire. Our firemen are noble, unselfish men, but water they must have to successfully fight the fire fiend, and a number of the handsomest residences could not be reached with our present supply. Supply all the needs of the fire company and give us water-works, ye powers that be.—The students at the Atlantic Collegiate Institute are going through the examination grind.—February has given us sleet, rain and high winds so far.—The original and only A. Huckabee, seeing the need of public bath rooms for our city, has, as he has always done, so far as was in his power, supplied our wants, and a visit to his place will prove to you that he not only has up-to-date bath rooms but one of the leading tonsorial parlors of the State.—The most important meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will be held next Monday night. Not only is every member requested to attend but the public generally.—The Camden ferry is to have a new boat. Contractor Cherry has the contract.—Mr. Romulus Goodwin of Norfolk and Miss Planche Moore of Portsmouth were married on Monday at the Arlington.

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"It is this," replied the fatigued friend. "How much sage tea would you have to drink to make a wise man of yourself?"

No answer being promptly forthcoming, the conference broke up.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

In a Great Hurry.

Benham—Why did that woman keep you standing at the door for half an hour?

Mrs. Benham—She said she hadn't time to come in.—Brooklyn Life.

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"I think I have solved the tramp problem in a perfectly satisfactory way," said the New Jersey farmer, as the subject was under discussion. "It did no good whatever to put up signs warning them off or to keep a bulldog at the gate. I tried all that, and last spring I made a change. I put up signs for three miles around, reading, 'Tramps Please Call at the Baker Farm,' and 'All Tramps Welcomed at Baker's,' and the result is that not over three of them have called. The other day, to show you how it works, a tramp came along and looked things over and said to me:

"'Any constables hidden in the barn?'

"'Not a one,' I replied.

"'How many bulldogs you got?'

"'None at all.'

"'Got a lot of spring guns or bear traps set about the place?'

"'Nothing of the kind.'

"'Has a feller got to do a day's work to get a meal?'

"'No work at all. You come right in, and I will give you a square meal for nothing, and if you want to stay all night I'll give you the best bed in the house.'

"He looked at me in a puzzled way for about a minute," continued the farmer, "and then indulged in a wink and said:

"'You can't play that little game on me, old man. This is my sixteenth year on the road.'

"'But what game?' I asked.

"'Putting poison in the milk and selling our cadavers to a medical college for $5 apiece. Oh, no, Mr. Baker—not this eve!'"—Baltimore Herald.

Judgment Against the Dog.

The Supreme Court of the State holds that a dog is not of pecuniary value and therefore, when he is killed by the railroad, the party is not entitled to recover damages. The case which brought forth this interesting statement from the court was that of W. R. Holliday vs. the Mobile and Ohio Railroad. Holliday lived at Prairie Station, on that road, and owned a dog of uncertain breed, which ne day strayed from its home, got on the right of way of the defendant company, and was run ver by a freight train. Holliday brought suit in the lower court, and obtained a judgment against the road in the sum of $100. The Supreme Court reversed the case. Justice Calhoun, in delivering the opinion of the court, said that the dog was an agile creature and it could get out of the way of a railroad train, and then the court held besides that the majority of dogs had no pecuniary value whatever. The court held that dogs could not be allowed t interfere with the arteries of commerce and that the man was not entitled to recover.—Vicksburg (Miss.) Herald.

A Two and One-Half Million Acre Ranch.

W. J. Cox, the well known cattleman, is just back from Chicago and Cleveland, after completing one of the largest transfers of Mexican land ever made in the United States. The property involved included 2,500,000 acres of land, beginning twenty-five miles west of El Paso, on the New Mexico-Mexico boundary line, and stretching away to the westward along the whole northern boundary of the State of Chihuahua and into Sonora, a total distance of 175 miles. The vast tract of land has a breadth of thirty miles. The sale was made to Jeff D. Ryan, of Leavenworth, Kan., and E. J. Carter and associates, of Chicago. The ranch is one of the largest in the world. The cost was above half a million dollars. —Galveston Daily News.

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MISS BONNIE DELANO.

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NATURE OF SCHLEY'S PLEA

The President Asked to Sustain Admiral Dewey's Findings.

THE QUESTION OF COMMAND

Rear-Admiral Schley Requested President Roosevelt to Review the Findings of the Court of Inquiry, Basing His Appeal on the Opinion of Admiral Dewey —Arguments in Support of Contentions

Washington, D. C.—The appeal made by Rear-Admiral Schley from the findings of the court of inquiry has been made public. The Admiral states three general grounds upon which he petitions the President to reverse the action of the Navy Department.

1. The court erred in ignoring the question of command on July 3 and of credit for the victory of the battle of Santiago.

2. The court erred by failing to report on the efficiency and adequacy of the blockade of Santiago by the Flying Squadron.

3. The findings of the majority, in variance with the opinion of the presiding officer of the court, are not justified by the facts adduced.

It is declared that the record of the court shows that Schley did actually exercise the command, and the point is made that if he did so in the absence of any right, under naval regulations his conduct would have been "grossly insubordinate and highly censurable, and should have been so held by the court."

It is recited that Sampson signalled to "disregard motions Commander-in-Chief" when he started eastward that morning, thereby conferring command upon Schley. Counsel also cite Secretary Long's statement to the Senate that when the Spanish ships emerged Sampson was proceeding towards Siboney under orders from the department to confer with Shafter, and it is held that these orders detached him temporarily from his command, so that Schley was actually in command at the battle.

Further argument made is that Cook and Clark, the two ship captains present at the surrender of the Colon, recognized Schley's seniority, and also that Sampson's order of battle failed entirely as soon as the Spanish squadron succeeded in passing the westernmost extremity of the American vessels.

Counsel deal with the pasage from Cienfuegos to Santiago, and again object to the majority conclusion that Schley should have proceeded with all despatch, and have disposed his vessels with a view of intercepting the enemy. Counsel submit that the Admiral's squadron was a unit; that he had no power to atomize it; and that in view of the prevailing ignorance of the enemy's location it would have been the acme of military folly to have disintegrated his squadron.

DRYDEN ELECTED SENATOR.

New Jersey Legislature Formally Ballots For General Sewell's Successor.

Trenton, N. J.—The Senate and Assembly met in joint session and elected John F. Dryden, of Newark, to fill

JOHN F. DRYDEN.
(The new Senator from New Jersey.)

the unexpired term of the late General Sewell.

Mr. Dryden entertained the two bodies at luncheon after the adjournment.

ANARCHIST ENDS HIS LIFE.

Mohr Taught His Children to Anathematize the Dead President.

Paterson, N. J.—Hugo Mohr, the anarchist, who was sent to jail for cruelty to his family, committed suicide because he feared a second arrest. He was released from jail on giving bail for $500, and he went to his home to get square with his wife for putting him in jail. Mohr learned that the police had been called and he went into one of the rooms and put his mouth over a gas jet. When the police arrived they found Mohr lying on the floor dead.

Mohr had not worked for a year. He took the money that his wife and oldest daughter earned and bought anarchist literature with it. He praised Czolgosz and denounced McKinley, and made his children repeat after him an anathema against the dead President.

President Shy of Pardons.

President Roosevelt has thus far made a record for denying appeals for executive clemency. He denied nine of ten cases presented to him. President McKinley accepted the recommendations of the Department of Justice, but Roosevelt does not in every case.

Carnegie's $10,000,000 Gift.

The trustees of the Carnegie Institution held a meeting in Washington, at which Mr. Carnegie presented the deed of gift of $10,000,000, and officers were elected.

Newsy Gleanings

In China the year begins in February.

Since last September the savings deposits of Michigan have increased $1,476,000.

The People's Party in Idaho has voted not to disband in favor of the Democrats.

Workmen have unearthed $3400 in $20 gold pieces in a coal shed at Jeffersonville, Ind.

Pittsburg is now building much of the machinery which is to electrify London tram lines.

A crusade against adulterated milk has been started in Paris, France.

Legislative action will be sought by citizens of Beaver Falls, Penn., to suppress the practice, common among the women of the place, of playing cards for prizes.

The French cruisers, built ten years ago at Bordeaux, having proved utterly unseaworthy, the naval authorities have now decided to repair and modernize them.

The Legislature of Kentucky is considering preliminary legislation looking to the erection of a new State Capitol at Frankfort at an estimated cost of $1,000,000.

MARINES' AWFUL PLIGHT

Americans Deserted by Filipino Guards Eat Raw Dog Flesh.

Missing Members of Ill-Fated Party Found Delirious in the Jungle, Two of Them Barking Like Dogs.

Manila.—It is now learned that the ten men who became separated from Captain David D. Porter's command of marines that went on an expedition into the interior of Samar three weeks ago got into such desperate straits that they were compelled to kill dogs and eat their flesh raw. The first reports were that they had suffered hardships but General Chaffee, who has just returned here from a tour, says that their sufferings were greater than mere hardships.

There were at the start thirty-six marines in the party. They took with them rations for only five days. Two weeks later Captain Porter and twenty-six of his men reached the coast of the Island of Samar. They were greatly exhausted, and said they had lost ten men somehow, and that they were probably dead.

Captain Porter and his men were under the guidance of some natives, and when there was no longer any food the natives declared that they could not distinguish the edible roots in which the forests abound. The marines did not believe them, but were unable to force them to find the roots with which to sustain life. It was while the little party was starving and was hunting about for some sort of food that the ten men became separated. The others were so weakened that they could not make a search for the wanderers. The natives had deserted them.

When Captain Porter and three of his men staggered into the camp on the coast they were delirious, and it was with difficulty that the whereabouts of their companions was learned. They were soon discovered and taken into camp, and Williams, of the First Infantry, headed a relief expedition for the ten lost men. The relief force faced a torrential rain storm that flooded the rivers and seriously hampered progress.

After a hard march the rescue command came upon the lost ones. All of the ten were delirious and would have very soon perished. Two of them were discovered in the branches of trees, barking like dogs. They were taken to headquarters, where some of them are so ill that they will probably not recover.

At a time when they were overcome with hunger, there were two dogs following them. These were killed, and as there was no manner of building a fire, the flesh of the animals was devoured raw.

General Chaffee says he found matters apparently satisfactory in all parts of the archipelago except on the Island of Samar, where the continuous rains of the past two months had retarded the campaign against the elusive enemy.

NINTH CABINET OFFICE.

Senate Votes For a Department of Commerce and Labor.

Washington, D. C.—Senator Nelson's bill creating a Department of Commerce, which has passed the Senate, was amended in various particulars. Probably the most important of these amendments was the one changing the title to read, "The Department of Commerce and Labor." It provides for a Secretary, who is to be a member of the Cabinet, an Assistant Secretary, and also the other officials and clerks necessary. The proposed department is especially charged with the collection and distribution of statistical information and with the development and fostering of foreign and domestic commerce.

In the department there is to be a new Bureau of Manufactures, and many bureaus now included in other departments are transferred to this new department, including the Life-Saving Service, the Lighthouse Service, the Marine Hospital Service, the Steamboat Inspection Service and the Bureaus of Navigation, of Shipping and of Immigration, as well as the control of the fisheries and Chinese exclusion questions, all now within the jurisdiction of the Treasury Department; the Fish Commission and the Census Bureau.

The department also is given jurisdiction over the Consular Service so far as it pertains to commerce.

ONCE LIVED WITH CANNIBALS.

Death of a Maine Physician Who Dwelt Two Years With Savages.

Auburn, Me.—Dr. Charles F. Swett, who died here at the age of sixty-four, lived two years among the cannibals of the Marquesas. While on a voyage in the Pacific he was taken sick and as it was thought he was going to die, he was put ashore. He recovered and became a favorite of the chief of the cannibals. Dr. Swett was happy on the island and probably never would have left had he not been kidnaped. A ship put in there one day to trade with the natives. Dr. Swett went on board to do the bartering. The captain of the ship was short of hands, and forcibly detained Dr. Swett. The natives started in pursuit in canoes, and as the wind was light, for a time it looked as though the captain was destined to pay dearly for his treachery, but the wind came up and the ship slid away to safety.

New Gold Diggings in Klondike.

Gold diggings panning $25 to $30 a day per man are reported in Alaska from Mush Creek to Porcupine.

Rear-Admiral Kimberly Dead.

Rear-Admiral Lewis A. Kimberly, U. S. N., retired, died at West Newton, Mass. Admiral Kimberly was selected for service on the Schley Court of Inquiry, but was compelled to decline on account of ill health.

McKinley Day Observed.

The birthday of President McKinley was observed in many places, Judge Day delivering an address in Chicago, W. D. Foulke speaking at Canton, Ohio, and Governor Nash paying a tribute at Columbus, Ohio.

Lenity For Lieutenant Brown.

President Roosevelt has decided to commute the sentence of dismissal from the army in the case of Lieutenant J. Preston Brown, who is now under arrest, having been tried in the Philippines on a charge of shooting a Filipino. Lieutenant Brown will be reduced in his standing on the list of lieutenants.

Business Failures For a Week.

Business failures during the previous week, according to R. G. Dun & Co., numbered 301 in the United States and twenty-eight in Canada.

An Upward Tendency in Prices.

Values of most manufactured products have been well maintained, and in some directions, as in steel and iron, leather and footwear, wool and sugars, the price tendency has been upward, while slight reductions have occurred in cereals, mill feed and provisions.

Half a Million in Timber Lost.

Half a million dollars' worth of timber was swept out of the Guyandotte River, in West Virginia, by the breaking of booms. Great damage is reported along that stream by the unusually high water.

TEMPEST IN THE SENATE

The Debate on the Philippine Question Grows Personal.

TAUNTS AND CHARGES PASSED

Old Senators Say That Such a Hurricane of Bitter Vituperation and of Unmodified Criticism Has Not Occurred For Years—The Chair Deprecates the Disregard of the Rules.

Washington, D. C. — A Philippine storm was central in the Senate Chamber Tuesday for nearly three hours, but was void of definite results. At times it looked serious, and the spectators who thronged the galleries watched it with breathless interest. Acrimony in Senate debates is not infrequent, but old Senators say that not in years has there been such a hurricane of bitter vituperation, of personal taunt, of ugly charges and of unmodified criticism as was witnessed.

Irritation was aroused on both sides of the Chamber, and once or twice personal encounters between Senators seemed imminent. Once when Senator Teller taunted the Republican Senators by declaring they knew the statements made in a recent dispatch from Manila in which General Wheaton was represented as criticising the opponents of the Government's policy in the Philippines were true, a half dozen Republican Senators were on their feet in an instant. Senator Lodge, at whom the taunt seemed to be aimed particularly, hurriedly crossed from his seat in the centre of the Republican side to the main aisle of the Senate and, white to the lips, passionately challenged the statement of the Colorado Senator and demanded that he withdraw it. Senator Teller so modified the statement that further hostilities at that time were averted.

One of the sharpest colloquies of the session was between Senators Spooner, of Wisconsin, and Tillman, of South Carolina. The race problem, involving the lynching of negroes, was interjected into the controversy, and much feeling was manifested by both Senators.

Then Mr. Teller referred to what he declared was the establishment in the Philippines of reconcentration camps and to the repetition in the Philippines of the horrors introduced into Cuba by Weyler. He said that a private letter from an army officer in the Philippines had been received in Washington in which an army officer was quoted as saying with respect to the establishment of concentration camps, "If this thing is to continue I will have to apologize to Weyler." Another officer was quoted as adding, "The time has come when I'm ready to apologize to him now."

Mr. Teller in response to a volley of questions replied that he did not know the name of the writer of the letter and would not mention it if he did know it. As he was proceeding to discuss the censorship of press dispatches sent from Manila he was interrupted by Mr. Foraker, who quoted from an interview with President Taft, of the Philippine Commission, stating that there was no censorship of press dispatches.

Mr. Teller was insisting that he had good authority for the statement that press dispatches were censored in Manila when he was interrupted by Mr. Beveridge (Indiana), who said that it had been stated by authority on the floor of the Senate that press dispatches were not censored in Manila. He was prepared to make the same statement from personal observation in the Philippines. Why, therefore, he said, Mr. Teller persisted in making his assertion concerning censorship was not clear.

Manifesting considerable irritation, Mr. Teller declared he would let the Senate consider the "impertinence" of Mr. Beveridge in interrupting him for a question and then proceeding to lecture him. "This is the first time in my experience," said he, "that a Senator has gained the floor to ask a question and then charged the Senator who yielded to him with being a liar." Senators in their excitement seemed for the moment to have forgotten the subject of debate. The Chair (Mr. Frye) was able with difficulty to maintain order. When the discussion finally was ended for the day the Chair felt called upon seriously to admonish Senators that the rules of the body had not been observed, and, after reading the rule which had been violated, he expressed the hope that in the future Senators would have a care to observe it. Such an admonition has not been made by the presiding officer of the Senate in many years.

PLUCKED OUT HER RIGHT EYE.

Young Wife Literally Fulfills the Scriptural Injunction.

Nashville, Tenn.—Mrs. Bula Abby, wife of a young merchant near Sparta, is dead, as the result of pulling out her right eye in a fanatical and literal interpretation of the Scriptural injunction: "If thine eye offend thee, pluck it out and cast it from thee; for it is better to go into heaven having only one eye than to suffer the torments of hell fire."

She became much excited over religion early last autumn, and since that time, it is said, she has been noted for strange vagaries in religious work.

Dole Asked to Resign.

Governor Dole, of Hawaii, has been asked to resign by the State Department at Washington.

A Year's Patent Business.

The Commissioner of Patents has submitted to Congress a report of the business of his office for the year ended December 31, 1901. There were 27,292 patents issued, including designs, 81 patents reissued, 1928 trade marks registered, 878 labels and 159 prints, about 50 per cent. of the applications being granted.

Colombia Wants French Gunboats.

The Government of Colombia has offered to purchase a number of obsolete French gunboats.

Prominent People.

Senator Depew and Cardinal Gibbons are very near the same age.

North Dakota is unique in that it boasts of only one millionaire, Colonel Charles A. Morton, a stock and wheat farmer.

Representative Littlefield, of Maine, is the fastest talker in the House. He is a terror to the official stenographers.

Andrew Carnegie has given away more than $46,000,000, and John D. Rockefeller has given away more than $13,000,000.

Captain Alfred T. Mahan, U. S. N. (retired), known for his publications on naval and military problems, has been elected president of the American Historical Association.

Senator Nathan Bay Scott, of West Virginia, is the only man in Washington who wears a black frock coat with a velvet collar, and the style does not seem to take with his colleagues.

Lord Wolseley is busily engaged on his military history. He has nearly completed the description of Napoleon's campaign of 1796. After his own memoirs he will again take up the "Life of Marlborough."

THE MARKETS

Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

MILK.

The Milk Exchange price for standard quality is 3½c. per quart.

BUTTER.

Creamery—West, extra	$ —	@$	25
Firsts	22	@	24
Seconds	19	@	21
State dairy tubs, extra	22	@	23
Imitation creamery	14	@	18½
Factory, fancy	17	@	17½
Low grades	13	@	14

CHEESE.

State—Full cream, fancy	10¼	@	10¾
Small	11¼	@	11¾
Part skims, good to prime	7	@	8
Full skims	2	@	2½

EGGS.

Jersey—Fancy	28	@	29
State and Penn.	28	@	29
Western—Choice	—	@	28
Southern—Choice	—	@	27

BEANS AND PEAS.

Beans—Marrow, choice	2 17½	@	2 20
Medium, choice	1 80	@	1 82½
Pea, choice	1 75	@	1 77½
Red kidney, choice	2 00	@	2 05
White kidney, choice	2 40	@	2 45
Yellow eye, choice	—	@	2 35
Lima, Cal.	—	@	3 25
Green peas, bags	—	@	1 50

FRUITS AND BERRIES—FRESH.

Apples, King, per bbl.	4 00	@	5 50
Greening, per bbl.	4 00	@	6 00
Ben Davis per bbl.	3 50	@	4 00
Baldwin, per bbl.	2 00	@	4 75
Cranberries, Cape Cod, per bbl.	3 00	@	7 00
Jersey, prime, per bbl.	5 00	@	5 50

LIVE POULTRY.

Fowls, per lb.	—	@	11
Chickens, per lb.	—	@	9
Roosters, per lb.	—	@	7
Turkeys, per lb.	10	@	10½
Ducks, per pair	50	@	80
Geese, per pair	1 00	@	1 50
Pigeons, per pair	—	@	20

DRESSED POULTRY.

Turkeys, per lb.	8	@	15
Capons, Phila., per lb.	12	@	20
Fowls, Western, per lb.	7	@	11
Broilers, Phila., per lb.	20	@	22
Chickens, Jersey, per lb.	11	@	14
Ducks, Western, per lb.	9	@	14
Geese, Western, per lb.	7	@	10
Squabs, per dozen	1 75	@	3 75

HOPS.

State, 1901, choice, per lb.	15	@	16
1900, choice	10	@	11
Pacific coast, 1901, choice	15	@	16
1900, choice	10	@	11
1900, common to prime	7	@	9
Old odds	1	@	3½

FURS.

Red fox	2 00	@	4 00
Gray fox	75	@	85
Marten	2 50	@	12 00
Skunk, black	1 20	@	1 40
Skunk, striped	30	@	40
Raccoon	90	@	1 25
Opossum	12	@	60
Mink	2 50	@	3 50
Muskrat	9	@	13
Muskrat, kits	2	@	3

HAY AND STRAW.

Hay—Prime, per 100 lb.	90	@	92½
No. 1, per 100 lb.	80	@	85
No. 2, per 100 lb.	70	@	75
Clover mixed, per 100 lb.	60	@	70
Straw, long rye	75	@	85

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes, Maine, per sack	2 25	@	2 35
N. Y. State, per sack	2 00	@	2 15
Sweets, N. J., per bbl.	3 00	@	3 75
Onions, State, per bag	3 25	@	3 50
Orange Co., per bag	2 00	@	4 00
Connecticut, red, per bbl	3 50	@	4 00
Cabbages, State, per ton	7 00	@	13 00
Turnips, per bbl.	75	@	85
String beans, per basket	4 00	@	6 00
Egg plant, per box	4 00	@	7 00
Tomatoes, per carrier	1 50	@	2 75
Cauliflower, L. I., per bbl.	1 50	@	7 00
Peppers, per carrier	1 50	@	4 00
Spinach, per bbl.	2 25	@	2 75
Celery, per dozen	10	@	50
Lettuce, per basket	75	@	1 50
Brussels sprouts, per qt.	9	@	13
Kale, per bbl.	60	@	70
Squash, per bbl.	2 25	@	2 75

SUNDRIES.

Beeswax, prime, per lb.	28	@	29
Maple sugar, per lb.	11	@	12
Syrup, per gal.	75	@	90
Honey, State, Clover, per lb	13	@	15

GRAIN, ETC.

Flour—Winter patents	3 75	@	4 00
Spring patents	3 90	@	4 20
Wheat—No. 1 N. N. Y.	—	@	84⅞
No. 1 N. Duluth	—	@	84⅞
Corn—No. 2	—	@	66⅞
Oats—No. 2 white	—	@	48
Track mixed	46	@	47
Rye—Western	66¼	@	66¾
State	63	@	64
Lard, city	—	@	8.90c

LIVE STOCK.

Beeves, city dressed	7	@	10
Calves, city dressed	9	@	13
Country dressed	6	@	11½
Sheep, per 100 lb.	3 00	@	4 50
Lambs, per 100 lb.	6 00	@	6 15
Hogs, live, per 100 lb.	5 25	@	6 50
Country dressed, per lb.	6	@	8¼

POTATOES ARE CHEAPER.

A Glut of the Foreign Article Forces Prices Down.

New York City.—Commission merchants of this city who early took advantage of the potato famine in this country and reaped handsome profits on potatoes brought from Europe are congratulating themselves on the fact that they reaped their profits early, for there has recently been a very heavy decline in prices. The drop is attributed to the almost unprecedented influx of potatoes from abroad, which has affected not only the price of the imported article, but that of domestic potatoes as well, notwithstanding the scarcity of the latter. Foreign potatoes that a week ago were selling for $2.10 and $2.25 a sack are now bringing only $1.90 to $2, while domestic potatoes have dropped from $2.50 a sack to $2.35 and less.

The potato crop in Ireland and Belgium has been exceptionally large, while the crop here has been the worst in many years.

Reorganizing China's Navy.

The Chinese navy is being reorganized.

Provisions Export Trade Quiet.

Export trade in provisions has continued quiet, and although there has been a slight falling off in the Western hog movement, country prices of hogs have declined twenty cents per 100 pounds, and there has been a little weakness in the Chicago market for hog products.

Good Distribution of Products.

The merchandise distribution is active, particularly in the West and Northwest; and the industries in all sections are fully employed.

State of German Iron Trade.

The present state of the iron trade in Germany has encouraged the formation of syndicates and cartels, as combinations for regulating prices are called there. The latest scheme is that of a general steel syndicate, to embrace all branches of the steel trade.

Rain Benefits Wheat Crop.

Rain in California and snow and rain in other parts of the wheat growing country have relieved apprehension of injury to this crop, and incidentally have lowered prices to the advantage of the export trade.

Overproduction of Sugar in Europe.

United States Consul Diederich, at Bremen, reports to the State Department, at Washington, that there will be, apparently, an over-production of sugar in Europe, amounting to 1,000,000 tons in excess of the normal consumption, and the stock to be carried over to next season may be 1,500,000 tons.

The Lake Shipbuilding Industry.

There are so many ships building in the yards on the Great Lakes that no new orders can be delivered before the spring of 1903.

The Price of Thickness.

The persiflage of some of the shops where the trade is with the poor is not without its humor. Into a Fifth avenue butcher's establishment there came the other day a little girl of the tenements. She had a large hat with a feather—evidently the product of some ill-conceived charity box—and a little shawl was thinly covering her shoulders. She carried a small brown paper parcel.

"Please, Mr. Schmidt," she began, shoving this across the counter to him, "my mother says this ten cents' worth of steak ain't thick enough. You have a right to send her a thicker piece."

"I have, have I?" growled Mr. Schmidt, opening the parcel and looking sternly and suspiciously at the returned meat. Then he went to the till and produced a dime.

"There, take that to your mother," he said, "and tell her if that's thicker, she'd better keep it."—New York News.

Evil Influence of a Library Roof.

As an example of the superstition prevailing even among those in authority in the Chinese Empire, the following extract from the Hong Kong Daily Press is printed:

"The Tartar General of Canton has been troubled by an evil influence in his yamen which in one month caused the death of his wife and daughter, as well as of a former Tartar General. A fung shui professor was finally called in. He looked over the city, and decided the evil influence was the roof of the library of the Government school for foreign languages. The roof, which was a peaked one, was at once removed, and is now being replaced by a flat one."

The Area of Afghanistan.

The area of the Ameer's domains is estimated at 215,400 square miles. The population is about 4,000,000. The revenue, estimated under a former Ameer at $3,000,000, is subject to fluctuation.

BEFORE HE TOOK VOGELER'S

He Could Not Touch His Wife's Dinners and They Were "Fit For a King."

So writes our esteemed friend, Mr. Frank Chambers, of 9 Bennett St., Chiswick: "For over two years I suffered agonies from indigestion, and became reduced to a mere shadow of my stalwart self. I would return home from my business feeling so faint that I could hardly drag one leg after the other; my dear wife did all she possibly could to tempt me with dainty dishes, and as I entered the house I sniffed and thought: 'Oh, how good; I know I can eat that.' But alas! no sooner had I eaten a few mouthfuls, when I felt sick; severe pains shot through my chest and shoulder blades, my eyes swam and everything seemed black. I became alternately hot and cold, and got up from such a dainty dinner heartily sick of living, and feeling I was a sore trial to everybody. I may mention that I was also very much troubled with a scaly skin, and often boils. But one evening I noticed my wife seemed more cheerful than usual. I questioned her and found she had been reading a pamphlet she had received, of men afflicted just as I was, and who had been cured by Vogeler's Compound. Said she, 'What gives me more faith in it is that it is made from the formula of an eminent physician now in active practice in the West End of London, so I am sure it is no quack thing.' "All right, dear, let's have a bottle,' said I. After taking the contents of the first bottle I felt very much better, and determined to give this remedy a fair trial, and I can positively assure you that a few bottles have made a new man of me. I can sleep well, eat anything and thoroughly enjoy life. I have told several of my friends, whom, I knew were suffering the same as myself, and they all wish me to say that they are like new men. I sincerely bless the great physician who gave you the formula of Vogeler's Curative Compound, and also yourselves for making its virtues known to a suffering public." The proprietors (the St. Jacobs Oil, Ltd., Baltimore,) will send a sample free to any one writing to them and mentioning this paper.

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A great walking competition in Tokio, in which most of the competitors were jinriksha men, resulted in a fiasco, none of the men completing the minimum of seventy miles. This excited some surprise, as the jinriksha men have immensely developed their legs. The result is attributed to their want of staying power.—Indianapolis News.

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